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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR sections 1.97 and 1.98, applicants respectfully request that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. a Copy of the listed document is enclosed. A translation of the foreign-language is not readily available.

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The document submitted herewith was cited during the prosecution of the German patent application corresponding to the above-referenced application and was discussed in the preamble of the instant application.

German Publication DE-199 05 549 A1 discloses an ignition device for igniting foil cartridges in an explosive powder charge-operated setting tool for driving in fastening elements. The ignition device includes a support, an electrical insulator (17) arranged in the support, a pin-shaped electrode (19) located in the electrical insulator and having a tip that communicates with surrounding environment via a channel (18) formed in the electrical insulator and extending in a longitudinal direction of the pin-shaped electrode. The electrical insulator is pressed during a setting process against an electrically conducting foil that forms a bottom of a foil cartridge. The electrical arc, which is formed in the insulator channel melts the foil, which leads to ignition of a propellant contained in the cartridge.

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A duplicate of this Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

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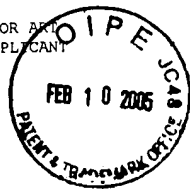
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